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MASSES

**Daily at 8:30 am - No Mass on
Wednesday and Saturday morning.**

Saturday: Vigil Bartow: 5:00 pm

Sunday: Ft. Meade 8:00 am

Sunday: Bartow 10:30 am

Sacraments

Confessions: Half hour prior to masses.

Marriage preparation: Arrangements must be
made four months in advance.

Baptism: Last Sunday of the month.

Call Evelyn Rivera 863-370-4000
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**Sick calls – Anytime
Communion for Sick and Home Bound**
Call the Church Office

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Every
Sunday 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Monday 8:30 am to 10:30 am

Religious Education Administrator
Jessica Whitmer 863-602-3837

Religious Formation – Every Sunday
Sept thru May

Preschool thru 8th - Sun 9 am to 10:15 am

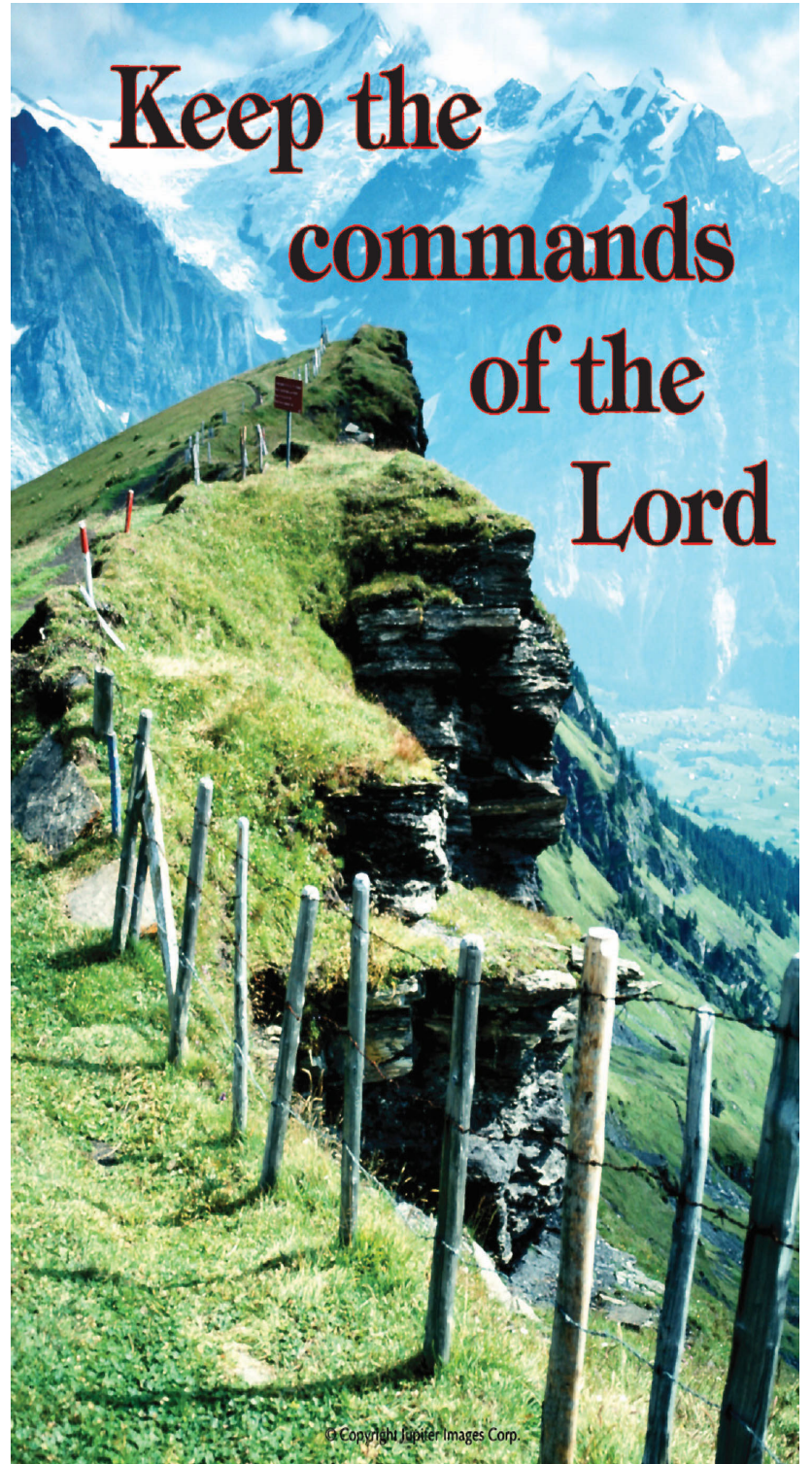
High School Sunday 9:00 to 10:15 am
(1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.)

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NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME!
Registration forms in church or office

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Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
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Diocese of Orlando



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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2024



Mass Intentions

Sat Aug 31	5:00 pm	+Jerry Barber By Friend
Sun Sep 1	8:00 am	For All Parishioners
Sun Sep 1	10:30 am	+Estevan Pedroza By Rick & Maria Davila
Mon Sep 2	8:30 am	+Jerry Barber By Friend
Tue Sep 3	8:30 am	Christina Kjerrumgaard By Yvonne & Bill Kjerrumgaard
Thu Sep 5	8:30 am	No Daily Mass
Fri Sep 6	8:30 am	All Souls in Purgatory
Sat Sep 7	8:30 am	+Gilberto Bello By Martha & John Laurent
Sat Sep 7	5:00 pm	+Pat Lasseter By Class of 1960
Sun Sep 8	8:00 am	For All Parishioners
Sun Sep 8	10:30 am	+Gilberto Bello By Martha & John Laurent

Please Pray For.....

Stuart Andrews, Terry Ayres, Kristin Bing, Pete Byrne, Melvin Casey, Alan English, Rachel Gohlman, Dorothy Guptill, Delores Hart, Austin Heath, Zachary Heath, Ivette Hernandez, Jennifer Hoffer, Mark Jansen, Missy Jansen, Stuart Jones, Bill Kjerrumgaard, Leon LaClair, Sara Long, Aaron Mills, Adam Mills, Zachary Mills, Scott Mize, Lacey Pate, George Pizano, Karlee Severns, Richie Southwell, Chuck Spencer, Rise' St. Arno, Jeff Stidham, Murphy Stidham, Rita Taylor, Laura Webb

There will be no daily Mass September 5.

Please pray for our deceased diocesan priests

Sep 14, 2017 Msgr. Patrick Caverly
 Sep 14, 2023 Rev. Roland Nadeau, MS
 Sep 19, 2016 Very Rev. John M. McCormick
 Sep 23, 1986 Rev. Louis Bamundo
 Sep 27, 1995 Rev. Charles Schneider

LECTORS	SME
8/31-5:00 pm	
Pat Lowery Mike DeNeve	Susan DeNeve Ann Slocum
9/1-10:30 am	
Barbara Woodard Oziemar Woodard	Maria Davila Theresa Cherry
9/7-5:00 pm	
Carolyn King Ann Spencer	Ann Slocum Kathleen Morris
9/8-10:30 am	
Maureen Leckie Unique Gonzalez	Maria Davila Martha Laurent

Saint Thomas Collection

8/18	Regular	\$912.00
	Maintenance	127.00
	Diocesan	327.00
	Assumption	204.00

Saint Elizabeth Collection

8/18	Regular	180.00
	Assumption	10.00

COME TO PRAY

September 5 First Thursday of the Month is dedicated to pray for new vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, and the sanctity of life for those already called.

September 6 First Friday of the Month is dedicated to the Veneration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

September 7 First Saturday of the Month is dedicated to Veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Prayers and benediction after Mass in monstration.

SPECIAL SHOWING

A special one night showing of "The 1916 Project" will take place on Wednesday, **September 4th** at 6:30 pm in the church hall. This documentary by Seth Gruber exposes the truth behind the lies about Margaret Sanger, Planned Parenthood, and abortion. For more information, please go to the1916project.com (not to be confused with 1619 project).



AMBASSADORS FOR “LIFE” CAMPAIGN



Hoping to extend a pro-life message throughout the Diocese of Orlando, Canadian artist Tim Schmalz donated a resin replica of the original “Life Monument” statue to JMJ Pregnancy Center in Kissimmee. The original statue hewn in bronze resides in Rome, and the replica will make its rounds to diocesan parishes, remaining for one month at a time.

Schmalz says the image of the Virgin Mary with Jesus in her womb is a response to those who say life begins at birth. His prayer is that the sculpture helps onlookers recognize the beauty and dignity of all life and remember their lives also began in the womb.

Scan the QR code below to learn more and reserve your very own piece of sacred art.



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WHAT DOES THE CATECHISM SAY ABOUT MARRIAGE

A marriage in the Church means that God is involved in the sacramental promise—one of the most significant promises we can make today. Families and marriages are the building blocks

of our society. In Matrimony, man and woman are called to the love and union of spouses that reflects the life of the Trinity.

THE LIVING TABERNACLE OF THE LORD

September 8th we celebrate the birthday of Blessed Mary. Mary's office as Mother of God was fixed from all eternity.

For this was her soul made beautiful; for this was she formed in spotless loveliness in the mind of God from eternity, and of old before the earth was made (Prv 8:23). She was already in his plan of creation. But even though this was so, Mary's will was free. One would not, however, expect anything but perfect conformity from one so wholly devoted to the will of God. Accordingly she answered in nearly the same words her Divine Son was to use on so many occasions—thy will be done—be it done unto me according to thy word.

With the word of a humble little maiden in an unknown corner of the world, the most tremendous occurrence of all time took place, and God became man. Not in his sublime majesty, from which man would hide his face in terror, but in the humble way that all children of Adam are brought into being, by means of an earthly mother, who was to give him his human needs of flesh and blood.

Because her Son was to be the very Son of God, there would be no need of an earthly father, and his conception took place in a miraculous manner that in no way interfered with his Mother's virginity. This suspension of God's law was no more difficult for God to effect than was the original law itself, for one who makes a law is always empowered to change it. From the moment of the Incarnation, not only did God become man, but Mary's office towards mankind became fixed forever. The Incarnation was the completion of the beautiful temple that was Mary's soul; the Real Presence rested now in the tabernacle of her flesh. The Incarnation placed upon her soul a mark that will glow forever with a beauty that all eternity will not dim. For in her answer to the angel's message, Mary fulfilled the purpose of her creation. All that God had planned for her she accepted and embraced with her whole will.

Sr MARY JEAN DORCY